**Property Tax and House Tax Bills by MCD**

1838. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as reported in the Times of India on 8th February, 2002 Delhi Municipal Corporation has admitted issuing wrong Property Tax Bills;

(b) the details of the cases, with names of the concerned officers, with punitive action taken against each one of them; and

(c) the total number of House Tax Bills issued by MCD, basis of calculation, month of issue and House Tax realized each month from April, 2001 to January, 2002 with comparative figures of three previous years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Corporation has called for explanation of the officers concerned in order to fix responsibility.

(c) During the year 2001-02, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi issued 8,82,786 House Tax Bills which were calculated on the basis of schedule of taxes issued each year. The Bills are mostly despatched by 15th September of each year. The month-wise details of House Tax collected during the period under reference are given in the attached statement.

**Statement**

*Month-wise details of House Tax collected by MCD from April 1998-99 to January 2001-02*

| Month | 1998-99 | 1999-2000 | 2000-01 | 2001-02 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| April | 3.60 | 3.42 | 4.04 | 4.63 |
| May | 5.40 | 14.09 | 6.51 | 13.98 |
| June | 7.80 | 13.61 | 13.78 | 20.98 |
| July | 29.21 | 40.84 | 61.44 | 76.10 |

| Month | 1998-99 | 1999-2000 | 2000-01 | 2001-02 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| August | 52.78 | 68.96 | 84.05 | 72.09 |
| September | 86.32 | 89.39 | 90.11 | 108.16 |
| October | 43.15 | 41.96 | 43.77 | 58.46 |
| November | 32.82 | 38.50 | 54.52 | 21.08 |
| December | 39.27 | 46.36 | 27.11 | 33.40 |
| January | 36.60 | 37.03 | 36.19 | 44.17 |

**Encroachments of footpaths by hawkers and unauthorised parking operators**

1839. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there has been large-scale encroachments of footpaths, pavements/walkways in Delhi by hawkers and unauthorised parking operators causing hardships for pedestrians;

(b) whether any action has been taken by the Delhi Traffic Police to clear such encroachments; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The removal of encroachments is primarily the responsibility of civic agencies. The Delhi Traffic Police, however, takes action against encroachments which cause obstruction to free flow of traffic. During the year 2001, 9448 unauthorised encroachments were removed from footpaths by Delhi Police and 10873 persons were arrested in this regard.